1	2	3	4	5
(i) Seed Spices	(i) Gujarat	Nil	2.785	1.815
	(ii) Rajasthan	0.8885	18.200	12.300
	(iii) Andhra Pradesh	Nil	3.530	3.175
	(iv) Tamil Nadu	0.195	Nil	Nil
	(v) Punjab	Nil	0.470	Nil
	Total	1.0835	24.9850	17.290

* Allocation are made on schematic basis, Statewise breakups are estimates only.

Withdrawl of minimum Price for FCV Tobacco

714. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the stipulation of minimum export price for F.C.V. Tobacco has been withdrawn since the 16th April, 1993 ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and with what effect ;

(c) whether there are any representations to withdraw the same ; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) Under the Export-Import Policy as amended from 1st April, 1993 there is no minimum export price (MEP) for FCV tobacco. The MEP condition has been removed as part of the general process of liberalisation of trade.

(c) and (d) Government has not received any representation in this regard.

Visit of Chairman Tobacco Board of Moscow

715. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that a delegation visited Moscow headed by Chairman, Tobacco Board to explore the avenues of Tobacco exports ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A 9-member Tobacco Exporters Delegation led by the Chairman, Tobacco Board visited Russia and some other CIS countries from 19th to 27th April, 1993. The report of the delegation is awaited. However, it is learnt that it should be possible to export about 20,000 MTs of cigarette tobacco to these countries within the next one year if necessary funding arrangements are made.

Export of Tobacco

716. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantity of F.C.V. Tobacco contract for export so far this year ;

(b) what is the extent to which the export obligation has already been fulfilled;

(c) what are the corresponding figures for the last three years; and

(d) what is the unit value realisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) According to the trade, importers have given indications so far for about 6000 tons.

(b) In the month of April, 1993, 347 tons of FCV tobacco valued at Rs. 3.32 crores was exported.

(c) and (d) Figures of Corresponding FCV tobacco exports and unit value realisation thereon for the last three years are given below :

Year	Qty. (Tons)	Value (Rs. Crores)	Unit Value (Rs./Kg.)
1990 April	1509	3.97	26.30
1991 April	7298	30.57	41.88
1992 April	934	5.98	62.95

Shipment of Tobacco to Russia

717. DR. YELAMANCHILI SHIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that huge quantity of Top Leaf, Bottom Leaf, Jutti and the like is shipped to Russia by tobacco exporters;

(b) if so, what is the total quantity shipped so far;

(c) what is the unit value realisation;

(d) whether it is also a fact that some quantity of F.C.V. Tobacco contracted to be exported, from last year crops is yet to be shipped;

(e) what is its minimum export price;

(f) what are the reasons for the delay in shipment;

(g) whether the export of Jutti variety will effect the demand for our quality ... and

(h) if so, what steps are being to over come this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) 1500 tons of Top Leaf (SCV) and 220 tons of Jutty tobaccos were exported to Russia during 1992-93. During the current year no such tobacco has been exported to Russia so far.

(c) The unit value realised is as under :

	Per Kg.
Top Leaf	Rs. 25.33
Jutty	Rs. 19.10